

12/4/2009

Ms. Laura E. Sinram  
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Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street NW  
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RE: Ohio Republican Party State Central & Executive Committee  
Identification No. C00162339

Dear Laura:

This correspondence is in response to your audit letter dated November 4, 2009 requiring a response by December 9, 2009. Your letter pertains to the Amended February 2009 Monthly Report, for the period January 1, 2009 through January 31, 2009. This correspondence, along with the associated amendments referred to herein, should constitute a complete response to the issues. In the event you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

1. The beginning cash balance for this report is now equal to the ending balance of the Amended Year End Report (11/25/08 - 12/31/08). An Amended Year End report uploaded November 3, 2009 shows the same balance, \$1,245,231.79. This error was the result of prior period amendments not being carried forward.

2. Line 11(a)(i) Itemized contributions equal \$5,567.56. Line 11(a)(ii) Non-itemized contributions equal \$46,912.98. The combined total equals Line 11(a)(iii), \$52,480.54. This should clarify the discrepancy.

3. Please see #2 above. The total amount of itemized contributions plus the total amount of non-itemized contributions does equal the total reported on Line 11(a)(iii).

4. Regarding the Data House check for \$8,213.45, please note this check was returned to us and subsequently voided. I have deleted the entry that was originally on line 15 and entered as a negative number on Line 21(b).

5. The Schedule A support for line 15 Data House involves two checks written to Data House, one on 10/15/08 and the second on 11/18/08.

6. The ADP Payroll refund was a result of an overpayment of Ohio State Unemployment taxes reported on 01/15/09. The overpayment was due to a tax rate correction as the actual rate used by ADP was not correct.

7. Benesch Friedlander Copland & Aronoff is a refund of a McCain expense for the McCain campaign. The payment made by the McCain campaign was accurate and should not have been paid by our Committee originally.

8. These contributions are anonymous and as a result there is no detail regarding them. All contributions are listed individually, each totaling under \$50.00 and reported accordingly on line 11(a)(ii).

9. Regarding the payments to the OH Federation of Republican Women please note the following:

a. Line 15 01/15/09 \$446.20 Reimbursement of J. Bolin payroll & taxes, not 25%, paid Dec. 15, 2008 - amount reimbursed equals the actual cost of the payroll.

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b. Line 15 01/15/09 \$334.65 Reimbursement of J. Bolin payroll & taxes, not 25%, paid Dec. 30, 2008 - amount reimbursed equals the actual cost of the payroll

c. Line 17 01/15/09 \$175.00 Payment of rent for space used in headquarters building. This amount was determined to be the usual and normal charge for the square footage used based upon a review of square footage charges for similar space in Columbus.

The above OH Federation of Republican Women entries have been amended on -line with the additional information listed above.

10. The State of Ohio check received for \$2,207.01 was from Tax Check Off funds.

11. This individual was not an employee of our committee at the time.

12. Payments for "staff health deductible," "club dues-Chairman" and "medical deductible" have been amended to show "not 25%". This designation indicates these payments were for employees who spent less than 25% of their time on Federal Election Activity.

13. Expenditures for "donor/prospecting telemkt" on Schedule B were not made on behalf of a specific candidate.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions, or need any additional information. I believe this information and the on-line amendments constitute a complete response.

Sincerely,

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